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HARDENED STEEL PART

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## AMENDMENT B IN RESPONSE TO NON-FINAL OFFICE ACTION

Mail Stop Amendment Commissioner for Patents PO Box 1450 Alexandria, Virginia 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

In response to the non-final Office Action mailed July 28, 2009, please amend the above-identified patent application as follows:

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims, which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 8 of this paper.